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Police Involved Shooting

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The investigation into the police involved shooting that occurred on February 23, 2017, has been completed by the Firearms/Police-Involved Death Review Board. The actions of Officer Alex Mottinger are found to be within the Columbus Division of Police Use of Firearms Policy.

Suspect Killed After Pointing Gun at Officers

Columbus Police are investigating a shooting on the south side of Columbus after a suspect pointed a gun at officers.

On Thursday, February 23, 2017, at approximately 7:59 pm, officers responded to the area of Southwood Avenue and Parsons Avenue on the report that a man pointed a gun at someone. According to the caller, a male white in a white hat, white t-shirt and white pants was sitting in a white Expedition and had just pointed a gun at them. The caller further stated the suspect was drunk and had an assault rifle in the front seat.

Officers responded to the area and observed a white sport utility vehicle in the rear of 1532 Parsons Avenue, facing Southwood Avenue with its headlights on. Officers approached the vehicle and observed a male, identified as Jimmie Patton, exit the driver side of the vehicle, pointing a gun at one of the officers. One officer fired multiple shots which struck Mr. Patton. He was transported to Grant Medical Center, where he was later pronounced dead. A rifle and handgun were recovered at the scene. No other injuries were reported. This is the fourth police involved shooting in 2017.

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